



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS:	Irfan Amanat, et al.	§	Confirmation No.: 8199
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SERIAL NO.:	09/643,073	§	Group Art Unit: 3624
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FILED:	August 21, 2000	§	Examiner: Jagdish Patel
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FOR:	Apparatus and Method for Load Balancing	§	
	Among Data Communications Ports in	§	
	Automated Securities Trading Systems	§	

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF JUNE 9, 2005**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 9, 2005, please reconsider the rejections in light of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 9 of this paper and includes thirteen replacement sheets.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including thirteen replacement sheets of formal drawings is attached following page 13 of this paper.